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Jack Reformed Says

# Cleaver-Guerrilla Split: Unusual Algiers Saga



WHEN U THANT retires as secretary general of the United Nations, his successor may well be chosen from Ethiopia, Nigeria, Ghana, Ceylon or Indonesia. One objection to a Swede or a Finn taking office is that a white man will not be favored. Black, brown, yellow, si; white, no.

The flip side of the coin is also unusual. Eldridge Cleaver heads a chapter of Black Panthers in Algeria. They collaborated with Arafat's Palestinian guerrillas against Jordan's King Hussein, though the revolution is none of their business. But, comradeship seems to have puffed off in angry recrimination. Cleaver claims blacks are discriminated against by Arafat, and are not taken into high councils when strategy and tactics are discussed. So, now Black Panthers and the Arab guerrillas are on the outs.

THE FEDERAL Bureau of Investigation, under J. Edgar Hoover, became the world's greatest crime-fighting organization. Now the Bureau and Hoover have come under attack from politicians, several of whom have beady eyes fixed on the presidential

nomination. No man, over the years, has done more for his country than the director. It may be time has come for him to pass in the responsibility of his post. But, Hoover's record does not warrant the snide attacks. The presidential aspirants smear their own image by making them. If there is a governmental bureau that should have a studied investigation, it is the CIA. According to reports, it has authorized murder, spends billions without having to account for a penny, and puts out intelligence reports (as in the Bay of Pigs) that often fall far short of accuracy. Why doesn't Muskie stick his New England nose into that Pandora's box?

THAT THE old days are gone forever is demonstrated by the disappearance of elevator operators, golf caddies, shoeshine boys, butchers who gave away liver, kidneys and brains, trolley car conductors able to retire on fares they didn't ring up, newspaper copy desk men who wore green eyeshades, politicians who thought all our country's ills could be cured by a good five-cent cigar, ladies who wore high-

button shoes. But they may come back any day now. Most of those people and things I could do without, but they're nice to remember.

A LADY writes, asking help in promoting hotpants for men. The answer is no, no, 1,000 times no. The very thought of pot-bellied, hairy-legged males trotting forth in such apparel shakes my aesthetic principles to their very foundations. It's bad enough to see that type in Bermuda, or walking shorts . . . but hotpants? Perish the very thought.

THE PERUVIAN government has seized American fishing boats, even though they were in international waters. Owners were fined \$50,000. A congressman has introduced a bill that would suspend sugar imports from countries that illegally seize our fishing vessels. A heart-broken wail burst from President Juan Velasquez. He said: "I do not believe Americans can do such a barbarous thing. They have human feelings and a sense of justice, and will not harm my country." Don't be too sure, Velasquez. We've had a bellyful of Peruvian piracy. Stop har-

rying our tuna hunters more than 12 miles off your coast, and return the money you blackmailed out of them, then maybe we'll buy your sugar.

REMEMBERED by all old timers is Mother Kelly's noted groggery on Dade Boulevard, long gone but not forgotten. "Mother," of course, was no woman, but a stout Irishman, who made the beginnings of his fortune by tending bar for Helen Morgan in high old prohibition days. The solid rock of the Kelly entertainment routine was Bennett Green, singer and master of ceremonies, and pianist Jack Reynolds. Reynolds stayed here, and has played at many places. Bennett went to the coast, got into movies and TV, particularly as a regular on the "Lucy Show." He's retired now, which shows how fast time goes. But Jack keeps merrily on his way. Bennett, incidentally, had a part in the original "No, No, Nannette" musical, which has become the biggest 1971 hit on Broadway. "Nannette" first appeared in 1925, so you can see how far back the show (and Mr. Green) go.

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## Gregory Speaks

Comedian Dick Gregory tells 2,000 students at the University of South Florida that the fate of America de-

pends on the young. Gregory used humor to make pointed jabs at racism, the CIA, President Nixon, the frozen orange juice industry and the economic recession.

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